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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - FILING OF SUMMER SCHEDULES

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1. AS OF JANUARY 2, WE ENTERED TWILIGHT ZONE WITH REGARD TO FILING OF SUMMER SCHEDULES, SINCE, UNDER GOI INTERPRETATION OF 1970 MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU), PRELIMINARY SCHEDULES SHOULD HAVE BEEN ON THAT DAY BY BOTH SIDES. UNDER OUR INTERPRETATION, OF COURSE, FILINGS OF U.S. AIRLINE SCHEDULES WITH GOI SHOULD NOT BE REQUIRED IN THIS INSTANCE SINCE NEITHER PAA NOR TWA IS PLANNING TO INCREASE CAPACITY NEXT SUMMER. FACT THAT GOI HAS NOT FILED ALITALIA SUMMER SCHEDULES WOULD IMPLY THAT GOI, DESPITE PROTESTATIONS TO CONTRARY, IN PRACTICE SUBSCRIBES TO OUR INTERPRETATION.

2. HOWEVER, IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY MISUNDERSTANDINGS, EMBASSY REQUESTED TO DISCUSS FILING MODALITIES WITH GOI, NOTING THAT NEITHER SIDE HAS FILED PRELIMINARY SCHEDULES AND THAT, PENDING RESULTS OF UPCOMING INTER-AIRLINE CAPACITY TALKS, THERE WOULD BE LITTLE MERIT IN FILING "FINAL"

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SCHEDULES PRIOR JANUARY 31 MERELY TO MEET DEADLINE IMPOSED BY MOU. EMBASSY MAY TELL GOI AUTHORITIES THAT WE WELCOME

SUGGESTIONS IN REGARD FILING REQUIREMENTS PENDING RESULTS
OF INTER-AIRLINE DISCUSSIONS. RUSH

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